



James River
Community Church

Corporate Worship Gathering

Sunday October 16, 2022

Across The Lands

Stuart Townend, Keith Getty

You're the Word of God the Father
From before the world began
Every star and every planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice
Let the skies declare Your glory
Let the land and seas rejoice

*You're the Author of creation
You're the Lord of every man
And Your cry of love rings out across the lands*

Yet You left the gaze of angels
Came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross
With a prayer You fed the hungry
With a word You calmed the sea
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free

With a shout You rose victorious
Wresting victory from the grave
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your way
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home

Call to Worship

Adapted from Philipians 3:7-11.

Please participate by reading the underlined portions.

Whatever was to our profit, we now consider loss for the sake of Christ!

We consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus our Lord, for whose sake we have lost all things!

We consider them rubbish, that we may gain Christ, and be found in him! Not having a righteousness of our own, that comes from the law, but a righteousness which is from God, through faith in Christ.

We want to know Christ, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of sharing in his suffering. We want to become like him in his death, so that we can attain to the resurrection from the dead.

His Mercy Is More

Matt Papa

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all-knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea, without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord, his mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more*

What patience would wait, as we constantly roam
What Father so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment his life was the cost
We stood neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy more

Congregational Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Forgive us for living to make our name great, rather than Yours;
for building our own kingdoms, rather than representing Yours;
for seeking Your blessings, rather than seeking Your face;
and for making excuses, rather than turning from our sinful ways.

Renew us, we pray, according to Your steadfast love. Remind us of
Your covenant faithfulness, and have mercy on us in the name of Jesus
Christ, Your Son.

It's in His matchless name that we pray.

Amen.

From The Depths Of Woe (Psalm 130)

Martin Luther, Christopher Miner

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication
If Thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
O who shall stand before Thee?

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace, grace alone availeth
Our works, alas! Are all in vain
In much the best life faileth
No man can glory in Thy sight
All must alike confess Thy might
And live alone by mercy

Therefore my trust is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit
His promised mercy is my fort
My comfort and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience

What though I wait the live-long night
And til the dawn appeareth
My heart still trusteth in His might
It doubteth not nor feareth
Do thus, O ye of Israels seed
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait til God appeareth

Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth
His helping love no limit knows
Our upmost need it soundeth
Our Shepherd good and true is He
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow

All You'll Ever Need

Andrew Peterson, Andy Gullahorn, Ben Shive

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It's enough to pay the price to set you free
It can fill up every jar and every heart that ever beat
When it's all you have it's all you'll ever need
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The blood of Jesus, it is like the leper's river
Running humble with a power you cannot see
Seven times go under, let the water wash you clean
Only go down to the Jordan and believe
Only go down in the Jordan and believe

*And I need it, I need it
The closer that I grow
The more I come to know how much I need it*

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Falling on the altar of your faith
All the wisdom of the world could never conjure up a spark
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Statement of Faith

Apostles' Creed (2nd century)

We believe in God the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and was buried.
The third day he rose from the dead.
He ascended to heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy universal Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker, Matt Papa

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah!
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

** Children (up to 2nd grade) are dismissed to Children's Church.*

2 Kings 5

¹ Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master and in high favor, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was a mighty man of valor, but he was a leper. ² Now the Syrians on one of their raids had carried off a little girl from the land of Israel, and she worked in the service of Naaman's wife. ³ She said to her mistress, "Would that my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." ⁴ So Naaman went in and told his lord, "Thus and so spoke the girl from the land of Israel." ⁵ And the king of Syria said, "Go now, and I will send a letter to the king of Israel."

So he went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten changes of clothing. ⁶ And he brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you Naaman my servant, that you may cure him of his leprosy." ⁷ And when the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to kill and to make alive, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Only consider, and see how he is seeking a quarrel with me."

⁸ But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent to the king, saying, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come now to me, that he may know that there is a prophet in Israel." ⁹ So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and stood at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman was angry and went away, saying, "Behold, I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call upon the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper. ¹² Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage. ¹³ But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

¹⁵ Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and he came and stood before him. And he said, "Behold, I know that there is no God in all the earth but in Israel; so accept now a present from your servant." ¹⁶ But he said, "As the Lord lives, before whom I stand, I will receive none." And he urged him to take it, but he refused. ¹⁷ Then Naaman said, "If not, please let there be given to your servant two mule loads of earth, for from now on your servant will not offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god but the Lord. ¹⁸ In this matter may the Lord pardon your servant: when my master goes into the house of Rimmon to worship there, leaning on my arm, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, when I bow myself in the house of Rimmon, the Lord pardon your servant in this matter." ¹⁹ He said to him, "Go in peace."

But when Naaman had gone from him a short distance, ²⁰ Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God, said, "See, my master has spared this Naaman the Syrian, in not accepting from his hand what he brought. As the Lord lives, I will run after him and get something from him." ²¹ So Gehazi followed Naaman. And when Naaman saw someone running after him, he got down from the chariot to meet him and said, "Is all well?" ²² And he said, "All is well. My master has sent me to say, 'There have just now come to me from the hill country of Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets. Please give them a talent of silver and two changes of clothing.'" ²³ And Naaman said, "Be pleased to accept two talents." And he urged him and tied up two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of clothing, and laid them on two of his servants. And they carried them before Gehazi. ²⁴ And when he came to the hill, he took them from their hand and put them in the house, and he sent the men away, and they departed. ²⁵ He went in and stood before his master, and Elisha said to him, "Where have you been, Gehazi?" And he said, "Your servant went nowhere." ²⁶ But he said to him, "Did not my heart go when the man turned from his chariot to meet you? Was it a time to accept money and garments, olive orchards and vineyards, sheep and oxen, male servants and female servants?" ²⁷ Therefore the leprosy of Naaman shall cling to you and to your descendants forever." So he went out from his presence a leper, like snow.

Notes

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Benediction

After the service, please stay a while and fellowship with us. We are so glad you're here!

Visiting JRCC

We are so glad that you are here! We hope that your visit is encouraging to your soul. Please fill out a Connect Card and drop it in the offering (or on www.jrccsuffolk.org), so that we can get to know you better.

Membership at JRCC

You are welcome to visit any time, but the best way to feel at home at JRCC is to become a member. If you are interested in membership, or have questions, please let us know!

Children

- Nursery (infants, up to age 3) is available during the service.
- Children's Church (age 4 to 2nd grade) begins when the sermon begins.

Giving

There are several ways to give to James River Community Church:

- In the offering box in the back of the sanctuary.
- Online or by mail, by visiting www.jrccsuffolk.org/give.

Contact

If you have any other questions, or if there is anything that we can do to serve you, please let us know. We would love to hear from you!

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Announcements

- Trunk or Treat
 - October 30, 4-6pm
- Women's Retreat
 - November 4-5
- Member Meeting
 - November 6, 6pm